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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

This Preliminary Amendment and Response to Office Action is submitted with a Request for Continued Examination in the above-identified patent application, and responds to the Final Office Action mailed on February 28, 2006, in connection therewith. The shortened statutory period for reply was set for May 28, 2006. Therefore, please charge Deposit Account No. 50-0540 in the amount of \$1,080.00 for a three-month extension of time extending the period for response for a large entity to August 28, 2006. A duplicate copy of this page is enclosed. Accordingly, this Preliminary Amendment and Response is being timely submitted. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any other fees due to Deposit Account No. 50-0540.

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